

NEWS ALL ABOUT THE GUARDSMEN IN CAMP BRUMBAUGH AT MOUNT GRETTA-GOSSIP

FLASHES FROM A REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK AT MT. GRETTA

Men and Things at Camp as Seen by Quick Eye of Evening Ledger Man With State's Soldiers

By FRANKLIN R. G. FOX

CAMP BRUMBAUGH, Mount Gretna, June 30. It's all here and it's all true. Here are the gleanings from a reporter's notebook after an all-day trip through the camp:

FIRST REGIMENT

Company G, of the 1st Regiment, is known as the sea-going company, in spite of the fact that it is an infantry company. On the roster of the company are a marine, Chief Cook Campbell, of Philadelphia, and three "musics," Little, Bates and Brown. Admiral Ramsey has assumed command of the fleet and has hoisted a pennant on tent No. 18. His chief of staff is Commodore McConnell. He has issued orders that examinations be held at once for promotion.

SECOND REGIMENT

More than a score of men in Company M live within a stone's throw of 23d and York streets. Among them are musician Norman Magill, 1922 Colona street; Sergeant Norman Howell, Sergeant William Baker, Sergeant Fred Gale, Corporal Roy Brooks, Fred Bowers and Stewart Koepfer.

The 2d proudly boasted of being all ready for immediate departure July 29 men having been turned down by the army medical examiners. Nearly 250 men were sent back from another regiment nearby.

The two most popular men in Company C are George Shert, 2348 North 4th street, and William Koenig, 2348 North 4th street. They are in great demand—as barbers.

William Hotaling, 2305 North 10th street, of Company F, has his arm tattooed in anticipation of the trip to the border. The tattoo is a bright American flag.

Company F boasts of a real live princess. She is the Princess Chic, better known as the two-month-old kitten. She's on her way to Monterey, they say.

Tom Watson, 1330 North Frazier street, is the reputed leader of the quartet in Company K.

Robert B. Lott, 3419 North Smedley street, of Company E, says emphatically that he would like to see a Mexican. He is in Tacoma. Poor lad is lonesome. Hear that, little one?

Joe Lawless, 4621 Penn street, and James Devlin, 3716 North 15th street, both of Company A, are the originators of the Carranza shave. The Carranza is a Mexican can they might catch in their embrace. Their whiskers bristle like so many galling guns.

Company A said in a body that the whole company, officers excepted, are broke, flat broke at that.

The following members of Company K have been elected to the "bean company": Albert Derell, 2113 North 7th street; Harry Cushman, 1134 South 30th street; J. P. Scheiber, 424 East Woodlawn street; and William Vickery, 135 Melvale street.

Three policemen and one chief of police are in Company C, as follows: Paul Sheff, chief of police of Egg Harbor; Traffic Policeman William Morrison, formerly stationed at 11th and Market streets; Policeman William Haste, Germantown avenue and Lycoming street station, and Policeman Russell Maxler, of the 20th and Berks streets. "Home was never like this," say they in chorus.

Sergeant Harry Edgar, of Company E, is an ambitious youth. He is not giving up his studies even in camp. The boys of his company fear he will injure himself by over-study.

Miss Sergeant Robert Griffith, 2259 South Anne street, Philadelphia, has some little job of cooking for 92 men three times a day. Griffith cooks as well as cooks. He has sharpshooter medals which are the envy of many other men.

George E. Smith, of Company E, is being congratulated by the members of his promotion to "third lieutenant."

Corporal Harold Treat, 5015 Newhall street, says he is pining away for the girl who lives next door. They are both from Germantown.

J. M. Bergin, of Company I, of the 2d, has made up a new parody on "I Am On My Way to Mexico." The boys in the company are proud of him. His words are as follows: "I am on my way to Mexico, I am going to show these greasers what I know. I am going to fight both day and night, beneath the Stars and Stripes. Hear the cannon roar, see the greaser crawl."

SEVERE ARMY TEST CAUSE OF INDIGNATION

Physical Requirements Such as Would Have Barred the Great Napoleon

By FRANKLIN R. G. FOX

HEADQUARTERS CAMP BRUMBAUGH, MOUNT GRETTA, June 30. Napoleon, probably the greatest general that ever lived, if he had taken the United States army test as required here at Mount Gretna, would have been rated somewhere about 30. In fact, the "Emperor" would never even have become the "Little Corporal" and would have been considered a dismal failure physically as the standard has been established.

Such were the views expressed by several officers here today who are indignant over the criticism which, they say, will doubtless be made of those who will not leave with their regiments for the border owing to failure to pass the physical examination.

The failures have been numerous. Not only was Colonel Crozier, of the 2d Regiment, turned down, but Chaplain Thomas W. Davis, of that regiment, also met the same fate. The shifting physical disability battalions, as wielded by the army doctors, still regardless of rank or regiment.

Little was said when the failures became known. Nothing, it appears, can be done. Indignation was aroused when it became known that criticism of some of those turned down had started already both here and in Philadelphia.

"It is not surprising," one captain said, "These men have done all in their power. They are not only willing, but anxious to leave the States to see the world. They have made every preparation to go some have packed their belongings and taken leave of their families fully expecting to be at their country's call. Their services, even if short, would be of the highest kind."

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PRIVATE IN RANKS WRITES POEM ON WAR

Mitchell, of Company M, Second Regiment, Tells All About Conflict in Verse

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By Evening Ledger Staff Correspondent. CAMP BRUMBAUGH, Mount Gretna, Pa., June 30.—Benjamin T. Mitchell, of Company M, 2d Regiment, the young man who refused to allow his fiancée to become a war bride, has written a poem on "War," in which he says that if the kings would reason, and didn't want any more, there would be neither bloodshed nor any war.

There are a number of stanzas, and after seeing Mr. Mitchell recite it, it is exactly the kind of verse one would expect him to write. He is a tall, clear-eyed young man and very honest, as one would believe when he tells you he quite agreed with the parents of his fiancée when they forbade a marriage until it is determined whether Mitchell will live through the war or not. Mitchell lives at 2438 North 28th street. He is home on sick leave now, having been injured in a sham battle at Mount Gretna the other day. His girl is Kathryn A. Hague, of 2609 North 13th street. Both are optimists and are sure that the wedding will come off in due order. They don't fear the war's length or terrors very much.

Here is young Mr. Mitchell's poem, written before he was hurt, with the ground dirt for a desk:

WAR

A year ago or two, we'll say, This universe seemed happy and gay; All nations' ships sailed on their way, There was no obstruction in their way.

Commerce was plentiful, their trades grew large, And the largest lines to the smallest; Business was plentiful through sun and rain, It seemed as though heaven came from some big fool's brain.

Then as quick as lightning comes and does die, It seemed that an hour had turned to a year; The world's ships sailed on their way, Buy a copy before Mitchell can say.

Then came a time loved ones did depart, To stand there and watch them would break one's heart; They give up their lives, they know not what they'll find, They'll push through the battle, they know not what they're going in.

After the battle the smoke cleared away, And the ships sailed on their way; Where days before the fields seemed so green, It was a waste of land, a lovely scene.

Now in its stead are pools of red, On this once beautiful field lay a million dead; Nurses kneel here and nurses kneel there, Trying to reach some one in kind words and care.

Miles away where a poor wife stands, With a little child in her arms; She reads the war list of the wounded and dead, And with a little smile puts her hand to her head.

"Oh," she says, "he has gone away, He'll never return another day; Then her eyes fill with tears, drops flow As she cuddles her baby close and on her way does go."

The kings at their tables receive all the news, At their command, ten million, do as they please; They have all the luxuries and food they want, Yet they're not satisfied, they'll all down and starve.

"I rule all this kingdom and all it contains, I rule all these rivers, fields and plains; I rule all this world and I work full away," While down on his fields men work day by day, They work for very little pay; They seem very happy.

Home to their wives and children they go, They plot through their minds, and matter how plain; They stick to their work and never complain. There is a difference, we all understand, Between a soldier and an engineer, or a man who's a man; If the kings would reason and didn't want any more, There would be neither bloodshed nor any war.

USES MEXICAN WAR RAZOR

Delaware County Guardsman Inherited It From Grandfather

By Staff Correspondent

CAMP BRUMBAUGH, Mount Gretna, June 30.—Horace J. Inman, of Collingdale, Delaware County, has a razor that is a regular cut-up.

The razor was used all through the Mexican war in 1846 by Inman's grandfather. Then it was used all through the Civil War by his father. He used it himself in the Spanish-American War, and now he expects to take it to the front when Company D, of the Second, is ordered to the Mexican border. It is a case of the toothbrush that "First it was father's, then it was mother's, then it was sister's and now it is mine."

Inman had the scare of his life when he thought he had lost it. It slipped among his clothing in some way and he was happy when it showed up.

Viscount Crichton's Body Found. LONDON, June 30.—The American Embassy has forwarded to the British Government a notification given by the German Government that the body of Major Viscount Crichton, of the Royal Horse Guards, has been found and returned.

Viscount Crichton, who was the eldest son of the Earl of Erne, was reported missing on November 14. The message from the German Government is the first definite information regarding him since that time.

LONG WAIT FOR TRAINS. Forms unused to anything harsher than a mattress spent twisted over the station benches, waiting for troop trains, A. J. Stoele, of the 4th Regiment of Jersey City, who is the assistant procurator of Hudson County, was elected colonel of the regiment and Henry T. Lohmann, the senior major, was moved up to lieutenant colonel.

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FIRST-HAND SKETCHES FROM CAMP



COMPANY AND CARRANZA SHAVES AND MUSTACHE PROPAGANDA

Tonsorial Undertakings Among the Varied Diversions of the Guardsmen in Camp—Some Striking Examples

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HEADQUARTERS CAMP BRUMBAUGH, MOUNT GRETTA, Pa., June 30.

We've heard of the boys who refuse to shave until they lick Carranza, but now that the boys have the Carranza shave and hair cut, the company shave and even a mustache propaganda has been started. Camp styles, it might be said, cause considerable comment and talk; they are chippy if not chic, to say the least.

Color Sergeant Wilmore Patrick, of the 3d Regiment, who, by the way, is a policeman formerly attached to the 15th street and Snyder avenue station, has the staid "bonnet" in camp. His hat has seen 15 encampments. He has worn it since 1900.

As for mustaches, Company E, of the 3d, has offered a \$10 prize to the man who can grow the best facial adornment in the course of two months. Captain W. A. Hargoshelmer also is a competitor. When the Carranza shave, which means letting the beard grow, is made in Germany, and as a result the supply of mustaches is as scarce as snowballs in camp. One officer offered \$100 for a pair, but was doomed to disappointment.

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MOVEMENT OF TROOPS. SEA GIRT, N. J., June 30.—Infantrymen of the 5th (Paterson) Regiment, National Guard of New Jersey, Colonel A. A. Van Wratven, packed their equipment on troop trains and left today for El Paso, Tex. With this unit went Brigadier General Edwin F. Hein and his staff and all the recruits in camp, approximately 1500.

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The gallant 5th marched between rows of cheering people, who waved flags and handkerchiefs. Automobiles honked noisily a parting farewell. Then for two hours friends and relatives stood with their loved ones on the plaza and talked while awaiting orders to entrain.

Today men of the 14th Infantry began the preparation of breaking camp, following the routine carried through by the 5th Infantrymen. They will be ready tonight to entrain at dawn Saturday. With them will go Troops B and D of cavalry and the Jersey City Signal Corps, following the Central Railroad of New Jersey route by way of Buffalo and Wilkes-Barre to El Paso. Camp Fieldier then will be closed, only the administrative officers and Surgeon General William Gray Shaffer remaining.

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GUARDSMEN BLAME "MUSTARD" ROLL FOR DELAY IN LEAVING

Federal Order Comes in for Good Deal of Humorous Criticism at Mount Gretna—Some Sigh for Bathtubs

By LISETTA NEUKOM

By Evening Ledger Staff Correspondent. HEADQUARTERS CAMP BRUMBAUGH, MOUNT GRETTA, Pa., June 30. The departure of the Philadelphia troops to the Mexican border has been delayed by just a "mustard" roll. Even the engineers were delayed until they had signed that lengthy document.

"That, at least, is the opinion expressed by quite a few of the boys, who say that they hear 'nothing but about signing the 'mustard' roll from morning until night.'"

"Why, they even yanked me out of bed at midnight to sign the 'mustard' roll," said Private James Devlin, of Company A, of the 2d. "What's a 'mustard' roll, anyhow?" he inquired.

"The 'mustard' roll is named thus 'cause it has such a kick in it, I reckon," Devlin's buddy explained.

Signing the muster roll evidently is some big job. Visitors say the weather is the kind that makes the corn grow. True, no doubt, but the rookies argue that this warm sun also makes corn grow on their pedal extremities.

"The 'girl I left behind me' is being done to death," one rookie exclaimed. "Make it the bathtub I left at home and I'll join you." Swimming in the lake remains the favorite camp sport. The shower baths also are in great demand.

The boys evidently believe in preparedness. In anticipation of the long ride to the Mexican border they are getting all the practice they can in trying to look comfortable in the railroad coaches near Colebrook. "We'll be used to it before we get there," they say.

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